



WALLOWA-WHITMAN NATIONAL FOREST

Forest Order #T2014-0616-HCNRA-07

Fire Closure



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Pursuant to 36 CFR, Sec. 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited in the area described in this order within the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area of the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest.

1. It is prohibited for any person to be on any trail described in Appendix A of this order. **36 CFR 261.53(e).**

Pursuant to 36 CFR, Sec. 261.50 (e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

- (1.) Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the prohibited act or omission.
- (2.) Any Federal, State or local law enforcement officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A.

Done at Baker City, Oregon, this 16 of September, 2014.

/s/John Laurence

JOHN LAURENCE

Forest Supervisor

Wallowa-Whitman National Forest

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both. (16 U.S.C. 551 and 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571)



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Appendix A

- Trail #113: Closed from Junction with Trail #625 southwest to Junction with Trail #192/#191
- Trail #101 (#101A): Closed from Junction with Trail #625 south to Junction with Trail #214 and #124
- Trail #192: Closed from Junction with Trail #189 north to Junction with Trail #194/191/113.
- Trail #194 (#113): Closed from Junction with Trail #214 east to Junction with Trail #191 (#113)
- Trail #191: Closed from HCNRA Wilderness Boundary by Holbrook Saddle to Junction with Trail #113/192.
- Trail #214: Closed from Junction with Trails #124/#114/#101 south to Junction with Trail #189 at Stevens Saddle

Statement of Need:

This closure is necessary to provide forest visitors from the current fire safety hazards associated with the Freezeout Ridge Fire in the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area. Safety hazards associated with fire suppression include, erratic wild land fire behavior and overhead support aircraft.

Enforcement Procedures:

Enforcement will be conducted by FPOs, LEOs and SAs. Discretion will be used in the first couple of days after enacting the order and the preferred method of compliance will be a warning since the goal is to clear the area and protect the public.

Posting:

Posting shall be done by the forest staff or fire personnel assigned to the fire. Posting should be made at all major access point to the area.

Enforcement Plan

<u>Action</u>	<u>Responsible Official</u>	<u>Date</u>
Prepare proposed order	Appropriate Staff with LEI input	9/16/2014
Review proposed order	Patrol Captain	9/16/2014
Approve proposed order	Forest Supervisor	9/16/2014
Post order in accordance with 36 CFR 261.51	District Staff Officer and Staff	9/16/2014
Prepare news release for local media describing the order and management objectives	District Ranger PAO, LEO	9/16/2014

Enforcement Plan approved for implementation:

/s/John Laurence

John Laurence Forest Supervisor 9/16/2014

/s/Robert Field

Robert Field Patrol Captain

